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is leaking, it is difficult for the tenant to run to the Accommodation Controller and take his permission for small repairs costing Re. 1 or Rs. 2. For such small repairs, it is not absolutely necessary that the tenant should think of recovering one or two rupees from the owner. If it is a minor repair, the tenant himself may attend to it. If it is not a permanent repair, the tenant must be able to attend to small things. If it is really anything expensive, he can apply to the Accommodation Controller and adjust one month's rent towards the repairs.

" Sir, I have nothing more to add except my assurance that we would certainly bear these things in mind and place the facts before the Joint Select Committee and try to do what best we can, taking all the difficulties into consideration and also the defects in the Act pointed out by hon. Members of this House."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" The question is—

'That this House concurs in setting up a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses consisting of nine members (six members from the Assembly and three members from the Council) to consider the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Second Amendment Bill, 1950, and that the following members of this House be nominated to the said Joint Select Committee :—

(1) The Hon. Sri K. Madhava Menon.

(2) Sri H. M. Jagannatham.

(3) Sri P. R. K. Sarma.' "

The question was put and carried.

(6) THE LEGAL PRACTITIONERS (MADRAS AMENDMENT) BILL[a] 1950 (L.A. BILL NO. 15 OF 1950).

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" Sir, I beg to move—

'*That the Legal Practitioners (Madras Amendment) Bill,* 1950 (*L.A. Bill No.* 15 *of* 1950), *as passed by the Legislative Assembly and transmitted to the Council, be taken into consideration.*'

Sir, this is only a very minor amendment enabling the pleaders in Pudukottah who had got themselves enrolled as life pleaders while the Pudukottah Durbar was there to continue as pleaders in this State without paying any additional stamp fee. They have to take a renewal, but they need not pay Rs. 25 since they have already paid a consolidated fee of Rs. 350 to the Pudukottah Durbar and got themselves enrolled as pleaders for life. They will be ordinary pleaders entitled to practise in three districts. They have to apply for renewal only but they need not pay Rs. 25. That is the amendment that is now proposed."

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MR. CHAIRMAN :—" The question is—

' That the Legal Practitioners (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1950 (L.A. Bill No. 15 of 1950), as passed by the Legislative Assembly and transmitted to the Council, be taken into consideration '."

The question was put to the House and carried.

Clauses 2, 1 and the Preamble were then put to the House one by one and carried.

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" I move, Sir—

' *That the House recommends to the Assembly that it approves of the Bill.*'

" As this is a Money Bill, there must be a recommendation back to the Assembly. There is some difficulty about the position, since this a Money Bill."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" There is no difficulty at all. All the difficulties have been resolved. I have stated my considered views and circulated them to the Speakers and Presidents of the various Legislatures including the Speaker of the Central Assembly. I have got their opinions . . ."

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" I only came to know of it after the Speaker had certified that it was a Money Bill."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" The predominant opinion is that even a Money Bill should go through all the three stages."

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" What is the final stage?"

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" If we make any amendments here, we send the Bill back with the amendments. We do not call them ' amendments '; we call them ' recommendations '. If we make any changes here, we call them ' recommendations ' and send the Bill back to the Assembly. If we have no recommendations to make, we simply pass the Bill and inform the other House that we have passed the Bill. The Hon. Minister may move that the Bill be passed."

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" I move—

' *That the Bill be passed* '."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" With reference to the other Bills, the form of the motion ' that the Bill be passed into law ' is a misnomer and has no meaning. If the Bill comes here from the other House, it does not become law unless it is assented to by His Excellency. If it is taken up here for the first time, it does not become law unless it is accepted by the other House and assented to by His Excellency. As it is done in other countries, the form of the motion should be ' that the Bill be read a third time ' or

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that the Bill be passed', because it does not become law *ipso facto*. I have got all the information about this and I will circulate it to Members. Anyway, the question now before the House is that the Bill be passed without any recommendations."

The question was put to the House and carried.

VI.—GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION.

DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES AND THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS TO LEGISLATURES.

THE HON. SRI B. GOPALA REDDI :—" I move, Sir—

'*That this Council requests the Government to convey to the Government of India the following as the recommendations of this Council in regard to the delimitation of the constituencies of, and the conduct of elections to, (a) the Legislature of this State and (b) the House of the People :—*

I. Delimitation of Constituencies.

(1) *Legislative Assembly of this State and the House of the People.—Seats for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes should be reserved in plural-member constituencies with two seats each, one general and the other reserved for Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes. All other constituencies should be single-member constituencies.*

(2) *Legislative Council of this State.—There should be not less than two seats in each constituency, with proportional representation with transferable vote.*

II. Conduct of Elections.

(1) *The coloured box system should be adopted.*

(2) *The boxes for the General and Reserved seats in plural-member constituencies should be kept in separate compartments in each polling booth.*

(3) *Watchers need not be appointed.*'

That is the resolution that I want to move. I want to explain the history behind the various proposals and the recommendations of this Government and the instructions of the Government of India. All these matters I want to deal with a little exhaustively in the afternoon. I may be permitted to begin my speech in the afternoon."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" How much time would the Hon. Minister like to take? "

THE HON. SRI B. GOPALA REDDI :—" About 45 to 60 minutes."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" Are there a large number of speakers who want to take part in the debate? "

DR. A. LAKSHMANASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" It will depend on what the Hon. Minister says."